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Inflated into the Income Tax Class.

### TELEPHONE, BEEKMAN 2200. Hundreds of Thousands of Workers

The House revenue bill has now gone to the upper branch of Congress. It may be radically amended by the Senute: It may not be. But, Senate correction or no Senate correction, already it is being revised by the economic law.

The economic law is no slacker. It is on the job all the time. It is no Kitchin bungler. It bews straight to the line, though a Kitchin, undertaking to determine the industrial fate of a nation, skids all over the lot.

Chairman Kirchin's blatant boast has been that he would assess the expense of the war on that part of the country north of Mason and Dixon's His pertinacious ambition has been not merely to assess it north of Mason and Dixon's line, but to wring it out of a few hundred thousand persons north of Mason and Dixon's line. Wherefore, he has drawn against industry taxes to kill industry. He has drawn against individuals taxes to empty their pockets. But the chicken that is plucked to its skin is incapable of furnishing more stuffing for feather pillows; the man or woman that is permanently strapped may become useless for further taxation purposes. The wheat field that is blasted by frost will provide no bread; the industry that is throttled in its necessary operations will yield slimmer production.

These things, Mr. KITCHIN, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, has been doing his level best to bring about. Yet some of the things that he declared never should happen are actually taking place. He proposed, but Gop disposed.

Because Kirchin would strap them. tens of thousands of individuals may take fewer bonds than they were able to take before. Thousands of industrial and commercial concerns may be shie to take fewer. Because KITCHIN would strap them, tens of thousands of individuals may not be ablé even to pay the income taxes they paid before. Thousands of industrial and same box. Nevertheless, the economic law takes Mr. Kircitin by the collar and shakes some of his economic stupidities out of his system.

week man goes up to \$22 or \$23 a Central Powers." week, still remaining in the income Mason and Dixon's line.

industry will illustrate how the in- to be robbed of their national re- tria's right to force her continuance come tax army is being recruited de- sources and defences, and subjected in the war and has accused Austria absorbed all women workers. spite Mr. Kitchin. Since this coun- by the exactions of a military treaty of sacrificing Hungarian troops on try went into the war the better paid to a political and economical sub- the battlefield to attain purely Ger. portant factor in the American houserailway employees have had nothing servience to Berlin. There has been man ends. Here, however, there has The the advances that have been given a sullen and deflant opposition to been an organized Government with in other industrial fields. Yet the the enforcement of the demands an able Premier at its head to deal official records show that more than which Germany insists upon as her with, and a representative parlia-15,000 railway workers in general and rights under the peace treaty, and mentary body to give voice to the division officers, averaging consider- uprisings of the people against their dissatisfaction of the people. But in done as an art requires attention and ship lower than \$2,000 a year in 1917, oppressors have resulted in frequent the Slavs Austria meets an apparhave gone over the income tax top by clashes between the Rumanians and ently leaderless body, but at the same Lest efforts on it at the time being several hundred dollars each in 1918. the German army of occupation. Some 6,500 travelling agents were far below the income tax deadline last some hope in the early successes of scribable means for the attainment; year; now they are on the very edge the present Balkan offensive is pos- of a common purpose. of it, and goodness knows how far be- sible. But the willingness of German In the Jugo-Slav movement there same is true of nearly 6,000 train to acknowledge the "seriousness" of leader that has appeared. The con- the "pinch" and the "handful" with despatchers. Some 4,000 variantstees the actually and the "handful" with despatchers. Some 4,000 yardmasters the agitation and their statements ference of Corfu was called apparwho were clean out of it until this that it has the encouragement of ently by the Serbian Premier, Pasyear are now in the income tax zone. King Ferdinand and that "the soul irch. It was the South Slavs, not The same is true of some 22,000 yard of the movement is admittedly Queen any especially designated leader, who engineers, while nearly 38,000 road | Marie" are significant. Vienna and drew up the declaration of Corfu freight engineers have gone over the Berlin have for years made the and who gave the conference its naincome tax top, with more than 30,000 Queen the subject of attacks. These tional character. In the dramatic road freight conductors close at their attacks were especially malevolent fourney of the Czecho-Slovaks across heels. More than 26,000 passenger and cruel when she exerted all her Russia there has been named no engineers and conductors were in the power and influence to align Ru- | leader, in their struggle to maintain exempt dugouts last year; now they mania with the Allies. are right out on the firing line. Some

in this one field alone! happened. Hundreds of thousands seize the first opportunity for deposworking directly and indirectly for ing the present dynasty and replace same difficulty of fixing upon some the Government-shipbuilders, steam- ing it by a German princelling, who definite leadership in their efforts fitters, riggers iron and steel workers, would definitely accept the humiliat- to forestall the desertions of Slave

through higher pay and through eavy overtime allowances, run up from \$24, \$27 and \$30 a week to \$50. \$60, \$70 and even \$80. Skilled labor, in other words, has been hoisted into The Associated Frees is exclusively anticled to the use for republication of all That is where our colossal war costs news despatches credited to it or not not otherwise credited in this paper and also news published herein.

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Workers in billions of dollars. the income tax class by war prices. workers in billions of dollars.

Now, the fact that the higher wage are supposed to have been granted merely to keep up with the higher cost of living makes no difference in the way the earner of the higher wages is caught in the income tax lines. All must be grist for the mill. KITCHIN had the nerve to declare he never would lower the income tax line sufficiently to catch them, but he will never have the nerve to keep raising and raising the income tax line so that they can't get in, although they are being swiftly inflated by hundreds of thousands into the ncome tax class.

This is a matter of vast imporance to the nation and to the world. whose fate hangs upon our part in the war. The thinking minds of the country always knew that if KITCHIN took every penny of the rich man's income, every penny of the well to do man's income, it would not be enough altogether to finance the war for more than a few weeks. The thinking minds of the country always knew that if he took all the earnings of the corporations it would not be enough altogether to finance the war for more than a few weeks. Every thinking mind always knew that the big proportion, the over whelming proportion, of the national ncome, which is the country's production, goes to the American people as a mass. Everybody knew but KITCHIN. Yet neither with a low income tax exemption nor with general consumption taxes would this revenue creating genius go to the field where the revenues were and where they will be-namely, to the

American people.

Secretary McApoo of America not economically crosseyed. He has seen it all from the beginning. He has forecast it to the end. So, although he could not get Mr. KITCHIN of Scotland Neck, N. C., to see the truth or to admit it when he saw it. the Secretary still did not become unduly excited even when panic burst over Washington at the new that the war in this fiscal year would require several billion dollars more than Washington had estimated. No doubt when we begin to hear from the Senate we shall find that there are minds as clear there as in the Treasury Department. No doubt the Senate will not try to close mills and factories and foundries, but will try to keep them open. No doubt the Senate will recognize that all Ameri cans, men of big incomes and men of little incomes, wish to dedicate to the winning of this war all the taxes they can pay, but that it is sheer fool business for the Government to tax men, to tax industries, to tax anything out of taxable existence.

Yet, even if the Senate cannot suceed in putting reason and safety and effectiveness into the revenue measure of Mr. KITCHIN of Scotland Neck, N. C., the law of economics will still be on the job.

many. Colonial Secretary, and Field Mar- war. The Rheinische Westpholische of cookery, my girlhood education incommercial concerns may be in the shal Mackensen have been ordered Zeitung, the Krupps organ at Essen, cluded a course in a cooking school to Bucharest, according to a despatch expresses the Teutonic fear in this frm Amsterdam. The semi-official movement in saying that since the pride and pleasure in the composition Deliberately Mr. Krrchin excluded "agitation" has been started in Ru- the agitation for the establishment of every detail receiving attention and millions and millions of American manian districts unoccupied by the an independent Slav State "has risen using the scales freely. citizens from the income tax pro- German military forces "which aims to unprecedented heights and the womanhood trained away from the visions. But now the higher cost of at nothing less than to induce Ru- Austrian Government seems unwill-measurements commonly known as "a living is recruiting them by millions mania to side with the Entente and ing to dare to take action against pinch" and "a handful," overlooks the in the income tax army. The \$17 a to declare war again against the the 'traitors.'"

The former Rumanian Premier, and in Russia in Europe there has 150,000 brand new income tax payers TAKE JONESCU, in his interview in been no one individual who has as-Paris, said that he had positive sumed command or sought honors But a great deal more than this has knowledge that "the Germans will, for himself.

for Rumania.

### The Note on Russia's Horror.

The telegram which Secretary Lansing has sent to the American representatives in all allied and neutral countries, asking that civilization register its abhorrence of the slaughter in Russia, takes pains to say that the immediate action which should be taken "is entirely divorced from the atmosphere of belligerency and the conduct of war." That clause probably is for the ears of the neutrais, who see, as well as the horror of the murders, the German purpose behind them. These neutral nations, some of them already the victims of German frightfulness, may be moved not only by the appeal to humanity but by the fact that Germany, which has established anarchy in Russia, would be quick to try it on in any other land where it would serve her interests.

The American attempt to arouse all decent nations against the Russian outrages is avowedly "to impress upon the perpetrators of these crimes the aversion with which civilization regards their present wanton acts." Of course the mere aversion of civilization would not deter LENINE and dividual acts of a well designed and TROTERY and their vicious followers from keeping on. They are criminals. but they are not idiots, and they know quite well how the outer world regards the butcheries which they have incited under German pay. We have, however, to read between and beyond the lines of Washington's note. An expression of aversion-one with teeth in it-might indicate to the betrayers of the Russian people nationality. It is the spirit of a the intent of civilization to follow the pen with the sword.

The conspirators in Russia can hope for little help from a Germany that is falling back to her own from tler, beaten. LENINE and his crew know this. The prospect of having also the . neutral nations arrayed against them might cause them to halt the red debauch. Fear, not shame, will check them.

#### The Spirit Back of the Austrian Disaffection.

Jugo-Slavs, a report from Washington says, will soon receive official recognition from the United States. The acknowledgment of the right of the southern Slavs to a separate national existence will be in intent and purpose the same as the declaration of Czecho-Slovak independence. This is the recognition of practically the entire Slav population of Austria-Hungary, numerically the strongest racial element of the country. It afterno represents a separatist movement involving the whole of the eastern portion of the Dual Monarchy, a line unbroken, save for the Hansburg crown lands of upper Austria and Styria, from the German frontler quite to the southern boundary of

Dalmatia and Bosnia. The impotence of the Austro-Hun-Queen Marle's Revolt Against Ger- garian Government against the sep-

It is perhaps not so much fear The Rumanians do not forget, nor that halts repressive measures by the these. In the average case, however tax no man's land. But the force are they ever likely to forget, that Austrian Government as its inability which drives the \$17 a week man up they were cheated out of their share to meet the actual difficulties which cooking is done is to blame for being to \$23 a week drives the \$20 a week in the war through the treachery of the attempts would involve. The op. at the root of this evil. man up to \$30 and the \$30 a week STURMER and SOURHOMLINOFF, the position of Hungary to the conduct of man up to \$40 and so on, until we two evil geniuses of Russia. Before the war, to the dominance of Berlin in this controversy by some other corhave new income tax payers in droves, the Rumanians had an opportunity to and to occupying a minor position in respondent, is provided with servants. even on that sacred ground south of prove their strength or to carry out the monarchy presents an almost their military plans they were be- equally serious problem to Austria. Some of the statistics of a single trayed into the power of Germany, Hungary has openly questioned Austime a masterful power united through is not possible to devote such efforts That this opposition may have seen some mysterious, intangible, inde- to this task, however, and at the same

the position of the Allies in Siberia

general mechanics, munition workers ing rôle forcibly imposed upon the to the enemy. There are reported to

and the like—have had their earnings, King of Rumania at the present time, be 30,000 Austrian Slave fighting with that of being in reality a state pris- the Serbs in the Balkans. There are oner." Berlin would welcome the Czecho-Slovaks in all the armies present agitation, insidiously credited along the western front. They have to the leadership of the Queen, as a joined the enemies of Austria not, long sought pretext for carrying out apparently, at the solicitation of any this design. There can be no doubt high representative of their race, but July 18 while on a certain big from That is where our colossal war costs that the mission of Dr. Sour and as individuals. The Austrians were through which the Hun wished Marshal Mackensen will result in evidently unaware of the lack of loy- His best troops, the Prussian Guards further oppression and humiliation alty of their Slav regiments in the could not help him much in this case recent Italian offensive until the be-

ginning of the advance. To this fact the Vienna the failure of the offensive. Austrian official report complains that had been indefatigable in urging the were pitted against us. This time we heavy desertion to the Italian lines. Huns no time to dig in. We sailed in formation to the Italians that de-Wow! how they did hop. We advanced feated all the surprises planned by Austrian commanders. "The says an Austrian communique, "the military command has reason in ascribing to Lieutenant KARL STINY of an infantry regiment, who deserted near Noventa." Another official report says that RUDOLF PAPEL-KAR, of a machine gun unit, jumped into the Piave and swam the river position, strength and disposition on for our crossing the Plave." The significant feature in these reports was the absence of any evidence of a concerted plan of action among the Slav people, but acknowledgment of an attainment through apparently inunified purpose.

The Slavs' fight for independence is thus not a manufactured, manipulated movement of a few self-chose leaders, but the mind of a great people expressed in action. It is the same spirit that kept alive in the Serbs through four centuries of Turkish misrule the love of freedom and the determination to preserve their united race, struggling for release from oppression, a spirit which Hapsburg autocracy now sees that it will never again be able to conquer.

It is a comfort to know that th United States has taken first place in ship production, and that last month not only the ailled Governments but our ship deliveries amounted to more that was destroyed by the enemy. If are doing so well now, in spite o the slacking exposed by Mr. Pizz, how much better our shipbuilders will do when General Crowner has kicked the shirkers out of the yards

> The soldier who shot twice at TROTEKY and missed him should be imprisoned in a school of marksmanship

The American delegates now in Europe, engaged upon the genuine peace movement, number 1,750,000.

As we understand Mr. Hooven, there will be no food rationing in this coun try as long as each consumer rules hi Thermometers to the contrary not

withstanding, it is still summer

will be summer until 3:46 o'clock this Janitors propose union with tenants

Is the millennium coming, or merely hristmas? WHAT HANDICAPS COOKS.

# Artistic Effort.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIC BOT aratist tendency of the Slavs is one and raised in a large European city, Dr. WILHELM Solf, the German of the remarkable outgrowths of the among other things famous for its ar Norddeutsche Aligemeine Zeitung, recognition by Great Britain and the of either exquisite or plain dishes, both quoted in the despatch, says that an United States of the Czecho-Slovaks of which were taught with thoroughness

Mrs. Wilcox, who wishes American fact that it is not the lack of good will or even of knowledge which has induced the American housewife to adopt conditions under which this kind of

Almost every European household of the middle class, as already mentioned They may be expensive in some of the European countries, as for instance in northern Italy, but they are available for money. This, however, is not the case here. «In some places industry has

Time most necessarily plays an im hold, where the entirety of its manifold duties rests on two shoulders alone. Good cooking is not difficult to learn, as Mrs. Wilcox says, but to cook well requires time, a most precious and scarce commodity in this country. Cooking thought, and nobody can accomplish a good dish without concentrating all her time being harassed by the idea that baby upstairs might fall out of the high

Once trained in the high art of cook knowing how to, but unfortunately of

FRAMINGHAM, Mass., September 20. The Condition. When the guns enforce their mission Let the world make one condition For the Hun One demand upon the savage, Small indeed for all the ravage He has done.

Bid him count the loved and cherished his hand and perished In the strife; Wake but one from that cold slumber, Bring but one of all that number Back to life.

Till fulfilled is that condition Vain shall be the Hun's contrition, And his crime shall be unshriven And his soul go unforgiven Down to hell.

MCLANDRUBGH WILSON.

THE HUN'S FOUL TRICKS. A Sixty-ninth Man Writes of German

Misuse of the Red Cross. DEAR UNCLE BILL: Since I receive your letter of June 27 I have had guite because there were a bunch of York Irishmen against them. -where they started and went to a laid much of the responsibility for place which was beginning to show The greater prospects for a real battle.

On July 28 the old Sixty-ninth met the although the military commanders and here again the Prussian Guards Czechs to fight, they admitted a had them on the open and gave the These Czechs, it was stated, gave in- as skirmishers against his machine without artillery support, this because the doughboys were pushing the Hur main share of these revelations," back so fast that the artillery, much to their sorrow, could not keep up with us Gee, Billy, it was a great fight. I can not on account of censorship rules mention towns or rivers, &c., but suffice it to say that we went far past our ob jectives.

The Hun as usual was playing rotte foul tricks. He dressed his slaves in French uniforms as stretcher bearers with the Red Cross brassard on their at the risk of his life. "He revealed arms. They carried machine guns and ammunition in their stretchers instead his sector. He revealed also plans of wounded. His airplanes swooped down and used their machine guns or the wounded that were being carried off the field. He also threw his shrappel shells at our Red Cross station, which was plainly marked.

In this place a bunch of us were laid out helpless on etretchers waiting for ambulances. They put one shell in a Cross building was altusted and about fifty feet from where I was lying, but uckly the shrapnel got none of us.

At one place we found the Hun's ma hine gunners chained to their guns and at others lots of dead women dressed in fun uniforms, who had been operating he guns beside which they were found. During our march to the point of attack hastily evacuated by the Hun, and in nortars and enough ammunition to start nother drive against the Allies.

The Hun does not like our above all other things, and the Yanks t is used. I came out this time with a ullet (machine gun) through the knee foint, but it is coming around fine now thanks to the diligent care of our doc credit and praise, and they get it from is if from nobody else. If things keep on going the way they are now I think will be eating my meals back in Westhester pretty soon.

Send the Yanks over in goodly numing: "Good-by, France: O You Broadray!" Then we will come home satisfied that we helped "make the world safe for democracy." Your nephew, GERARD BUCKLEY.

BASE HOSPITAL 34, A. E. F. France

#### FIVE O'CLOCK TEA FEASTS. A Complaint That They Use Too Much Wheat and Sugar.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The old time dinners de luxe have entirely d'sappeared. Many of the hotels are stablishing self-service cafeterias.

One of our metropolitan institutions, however, has so far escaped regulation. This is the more to be regretted because t can so easily be avoided. I refer to in our leading hotels. There is, I am quite sure, no objection to the partaking of a derstand, the burro did not lose his "Linpty or folten, properly spoken of nated Hayden W. White, refreshing cup of tea, but if it turns into footing. A burro never does. But this an Egg, and figuratively apply d to a nated Hayden W. White, refreshing cup of tea, but if it turns into footing. A burro never does. But this an Egg, and figuratively apply d to a country weekly at Ruffalo. A ceremonial feast with mountains of burro, with only the ledge between us Phillips used hat bright d for this

rich pastry a halt ought to be called and sees these tables laden with pastry, the burro. and sees these tables laden with pastry.

My last important adventure will relie commonly understood to mean "haventhe both meal is to take place, one cannot help count a remarkably narrow escape, foling no more brains or sense than a hare: meal is to take place, one cannot help count a reactionary and on the express the desire that the Food Administration's attention be called to this pneumonia and delirium tremens. It was ministration's attention be called to this during my drinking days, to be sure.

Therefore one may claim "skedaddle" the chart of the National S. speedily call an end to these unnecessary that I had pneumonia and convinced on-essentials.

W. F. THIELE. New York, September 21.

## TELEPATHY.

Government Hasn't Taken Over.

any degree whatsoever.

A thought becomes a telepathic mes- that I died dying for a drink." sage only when it takes the form of a He yielded and I was provided with a persistent desire projected from the small goblet of red liquor. There must ethereal waves to the consciousness of The mental effect was something exthe recipient. The appearance of the traordinary. The delirium tremens disparticular direction as the result of side. E. S. FRAT. compassed. NEW YORK, September 21.

## TRADE BRIEFS.

There is a marked shortage of benzine gasolene and other motor spirits in New Zealand, which is interfering to some exry, especially dairying and farming in- splendid fashion. erests, since it is difficult to secure sufficlent supplies to operate dairy and farm most colorful of spectacular escapes. nachinery that is now being extensively operated by gasolene motors.

at Shanghai, China. The machinery installed is from Japan, and the factory is in charge of a Japanese expert. The battlefields, with German siege guns and machine gun nests and present output is astimated at 100 gross angry bayonets? Nothing of the sort. daily, and it is expected that 200 gross. The psychic hunch leads in the other

In the latter part of 1917 a Swedish absolutely reliable. irm with a capital of \$402,800 was organized to manufacture typewriters to as reported in to-day's despatches I see Scandinavia's demands and in hope of successful entry into foreign what Psyche already has foretold. We company and the German typewriters on needed. My last grand final escape has the market the present demand is rebeen recorded. The drafting of yours man who works six days a week is debase their decision on the to ported greater than the supply. The new twedish firm has planned to manufacture ath and to open branch offices throughout Scandinavia

Problems of Private Ownership Knicker-What's worrying Jinks? Bocker-He is trying to figure out whether his solltaire and the railroads will be returned after the war.

WHAT ONE HUMAN BEING HAS ESCAPED.

Life's Tenacions Hold Upon the Body

Vividly Illustrated. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In THE SUN a rew days ago I described my two remarkable escapes from death by incineration after I had gone to sleep with a lighted cigarette between my

I now feel it my duty to relate, through the medium of THE SUN, other miraculous escapes, that I may increase the hope of the 13,000,000 odd men called colors in the recent selective to the There will be a consoling deducdraft. tion at the conclusion of these reminiscences, so I urge all draftees to read on When I was 3 years old I got into

the family medicine chest, with the retle of carbolle acid. The acid lown my throat. In response to an alarming squawk my mother thrust s handful of lard down my throat and I was well and unscarred when the loctor arrived. When I was 12 years old I rolled over

precipice while wrestling with a comanion at school. The fall was approximately forty feet. I landed in a bed of rock, my head striking a boulder in the descent. I was rendered unconsclous, but was revived after an hour, tinued my studies.

Entering Western journalism at an early age, I followed the lead of celebrated frontier fournalists and wrote in defiance of all libel laws. As a conquence I was twice sought by men who were known to be quick on the trigger and who had vowed to shoot me on sight. It is a matter of record that each of my pursuers met a violent death before he had a chance to carry out his threat. One was run down by locomotive and the other was drowned.

On a rainy night, and in a locality well known in the progressive Western community of Kansas City and its seventy hills, I missed my footing at the top landing of a flight of ninetybottom. I was uninjured and walked to the Silver Dollar buffet without assistance. (The Silver Dollar was so named because its artistically arranged tile floor was inlaid, at six inch intervals, with bright silver dollars. Several of these had once belonged to me.)

I have been in two ratiroid wrecks each a head on collision, and in neither occurrence was a single injury reported. Two trains, which I had contemplated boarding, but which I missed by a few minutes, met with tragic results, entailing great loss of life.

In the White Elephant saloon (now defunct) in Fort Worth, Tex., I was hit full in the right eye by a man of ponderous bulk. The blow measured me to the floor, and my assailant, thinking he had killed me, fled and has not been seen by me since that time. As a matter of fact, once sure that he had gone, I arose and went to the wash stand, where I bathed my own wound, and then went home. I will admit however, that on the following day the right side of my face looked as if it had been stopping six inch shells.

Compared with other adventures, my drop of five stories in a passenger elevator at Omaha, Neb., would hardly be worth mentioning were it not for the fact that the safety refused to work and the stoppage of the car (apparently of its own accord) thirty feet above the rement floored basement was declared to be due to miraculous intervention.

Somewhat similar was the adventure in St. George's Canyon near Colorado Springs. In company with one Abraham Levy of Memphis, Tenn., I had gone to an elevation of 2,000 feet. I was astride a burro and we had begun the descent, overlooking a ledge, with 2,000 feet of space below us, when my burro slipped over a broad rock. Understand, the burro did not lose

ministration to our boulfaces would Louis. Mo. Awaking to a realization to be a compound of "skid" (corrupt, League, showing how Monniell that I would not live many hours, I hurriedly, and "addie," heedless or wild. made my own way to a local hospital. Hence "skedaddie" means running hur-After several hours the attending physician took my history and ordered Form of Communication Which the that I should not have any whiskey. At 7 o'clock that evening my pneumonia delirium began and the alcoholic de-To the Entrop of The Sun-Sir: What | lirium was announcing its preliminary. appears to your correspondent "L C I had strength enough to tell the nurse H." as an "impossible problem" is very that if she would get me a big hooker easily explained, viz: Most of the phe- of whiskey I was sure I could forestall nomena such as that which he recounts one of the attacks. She called the docare merely coincidences, in which the tor and I feebly repeated my argument. element of telepathy does not enter in "I'm going to die, anyhow, Doc," I said, "so if I am to die don't let it be said

nind and conveyed by means of the have been at least three ounces of it

suggestion which came to him by the For seven, days I battled with the impingement upon his consciousness of pneumonia deliriums, the chief feature one or more of the myriad vibrations embracing a vivid production of a wild flashing hither and thither in the great West moving picture in the making, in ethereal expanse with which we are en- which about 1,000 people and 500 horses were used. The surroundings were those of Fort Kennedy, Pa., a moving picture amphitheatre in the woods. I recognized all these scenes and the 500, horses trampled over me regularly. Strange to say, thirty-one days after I had entered the hospital I was down on the plains of Oklahoma, tent with minor industries in that coun- riding a bronco and recuperating in

The foregoing marks my last and Now for the draft. I am in A pencil factory has just been installed the noon of Sentember 12. What do I signed up at ten minutes after 3 on the direction, and my psychic hunches are

> With the grand onrush of Pershing the the beginning of the end. It bears out Despite the output from this will never get there. We won't be not to be sneezed at.

BEAUMONT O'RELLT. pleasure. GRAYMOOR-IN-THE-WILDERNESS, September 20.

"SKEDADDLE."

Was There an Irish Bible Student Bull Runt

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: IT line with the interesting article of "Dr. Syntax" in Thursday's Sun is an ac count of the word "skedaddle" in the valuable and interesting work of Dr. C. C. Bombaugh, entitled "Gleanings for the Curious," published by T. Newton Kurts at Baltimore in 1864.

I have always understood the word to have been first used in this country as descriptive of the precipitate withdrawal of the Federal troops at the first battle of Bull Run, and the word was in very common use in Washington during the civil war.

Dr. Bombaugh refers, like "Dr. Syntax," to the supposed Greek, Swedish and Danish origin of the word, and also to its possible tracing to the Irish Bible, and Dr. Bombaugh closes his treatment of the matter as follows:

An old version of the Irish New Testament contains the passage. "For it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the ing political contest this autumn, from sheep of the flock shall be sgedad ol." the fact that the campaign will be This compound Irish word "sgedad ol." (all scattered or utterly routed) was probably used by some Irishman at Buil Run, dominating issue. Republicans have and, being regarded as felicitous, was at elected for State chairman.

HENRY E. DAVIS. WASHINGTON, D. C., September 21,

The Spelling Questioned by an Emi-

nent Etymologist. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT: AS Sir W. B. Gilbert sang in "Pinafore," Things are seldom what they seem,

Skim milk masquerades as cream, and your good friend "Dr. Syntax's" linguistic machinery seems to have lased a cog.

"One's varra likely to ged wrang wi this word iv they're nod keerful, because mon's heed may be addled," as many a Lancashire lad might say, "Skedaddle" should be spelled phonetically "skidaddle," for it is a compound of "skid," to run quickly or hurriedly, and "addle," provincial English of "addle" as applied programme throughout and his record on to the disorganized condition of an addled egg.

The word "skid" is a variant form of

"scud," of which Dr. Henry Bradley says

(New English Dictionary, vol. 8, s. v.) : "First recorded in the mixteenth century. but probably much older in colloquial The initial 'sc' shows that the word cannot descend from Old English: f not formed onomatopæically or by phonetic symbolism, it was presumably adopted either from Scandinavian or from Low German or Dutch. Formany, have been wholens a possible origin would be Middle Low previous campaigns.

Osborne in his campaign a possible origin would be product, to Osborne in his campaign will be German, Middle Dutch 'schudden,' to Osborne in his campaign will be german, whence stress on his having been First Assistant whence it is and therefore the control of the cont Swedish 'skudda,' Danish 'skudde,' but the sense seems not sufficiently near. The Old Norse 'skunda,' to hasten, agrees in sense but not in form. It has been usual to refer the word to Danish ren with being a reactionary and "skyde" (with long vowel), to shoot in sympathy with Wilson," and has put (-Old Norse "skiota"), 'skud,' shot lished a brief note from President Wi -Old Norse "skot"), but the Danish change of 't' into 'd' is a late development, and is not represented in Engmay be noted that several dialects have will be pointed out that during Onle a synonymous 'scut' verb, of which incumbency of the First Assistant scud' may be an altered form. As the fice he was never permitted to act earliest instance of 'soud' refers to the movement of a hare, and this has always so; that his duties in the office were been a prominent app...ation of the verb. it seems possible that it may be con- Bryan, in sceking places for deserving nected with 'scut' substantive, the tail of hare, sometimes applied to the animal;

The meaning of "skid" is "to run or move briskly or hurriedly as a hare," and the earliest use found in this sense dates from More's "Confutacyon of Tyndale's Answere," 1532.

As for "addle" Skeat gives it as Mid. dle English. I found it in Phillips's "New World of Words" (1706) defined: "Empty or rotten; properly spoken of Years service, the Democrats has Phillips used hair-braind in term he When one strolls through our leading edly a distance estimated by Mr. Levy does not define) for "hare-brained," a ing against Mondell. The Buffalo hotels on any afternoon about tea time at 500 feet. Of course I remained with form that dates from 1548 (Hall, tor is an avowed wet, which will "Chronicle, Henry V.," p. 216 b), which ther handicap his candidacy is

> "sked," sometimes also "skeed"), to run hurriedly, and "addie," heedless or wild. Hence "skedaddie" means running hurriedly in a heedless and wild way, or in a sauve qui peut method. Q. E. D.

FRANK H. VIZETELLY. NEW YORK, September 21.

#### This Search the Recurrence in a Cycle getter in the State. Two years ago of Investigation.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: At one time during the civil war the word "skedaddle" jumped into the same 45,000 votes cast it will be seen Morie prominence that it enjoys to-day. Moreover, the newspaper correspondence in the Chicago Tribune concerning the etymology of the word was almost precisely like that occurring in THE SUN at the present time. The "Dr. Syntax" former Senator and Govof the period, I think, was Professor William Matthews, a very profound boilted the party and went person thought of does not necessarily appeared and I breathed defiance at the scholar, who could explode a depth Democrats bag and baggage with person thought of does not necessarily appeared and I breatned denance at the limit and direct mental communication. Other aliments, which now included a bomb of abstruse etymologies at a section of plauries in the right of notice.

Observer. Young Carey is a practical rate MOUNT VERNON, September 21.

## The Name of a Filly Raced by John M. Clay in 1863.

active turfman prior to, during and after ming having the war, shipped his race horses from in two years Houx has built Lexington, Ky., to the race course at this over the State sufficient Paterson, N. J., to escape having them seized by the raiders of John Morgan's command.

In his collection of horses he had

ommand.
In his collection of horses he had have estranged some Demo named a two-year-old filly Skedaddle, will be charged by the hepa which had won her only race at the favoritism in connection fall race meeting there. Mr. Clay sold ministration of the State's all of his horses except his cherished . Skedaddle and Jerome Edger.

Mr. Clay was a stanch Unionist and lands leased from the State left his native land and his Ashland farm for the East when he skedaddled. J. H. McCREERT. OCEANPORT, N. J., September 21.

## GASOLENE CARDS.

The Demand of a Man Who Thinks the Sunday Custom Unfair.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT: A obediently spells the end of the war. 1 prived of the use of his little car which famous indicator bon and a trust that 13,000,000 fellow draftees will makes from twenty-one to twenty-three abnormally heavy some base. bet their last thrift stamp on my pre-miles on a gallon of gas. The man with growth, both of which at diction. Surely they will admit that my a large car gets from nine to twolve signs of exceptionally cold diction. Surely they will admit that my a large car gets from nine to twelve record for escaping death by violence is miles on a gallon of gas. He rides six days out of seven and gets all the

> Give us gasoiene cards! J. D. H. KINGSTON, September 21.

## WYOMING SENATE CANDIDATES LOYAL

Senator Warren's Votes on Prohibition One of Issues of Warm Campaign.

BRYAN AID ENTERS RACE

Representative Mondell Opposed by Editor He Defeated 8 Years Ago.

Special Despatch to Two See CHETENNE Sept. 22 -- Wvoming will be the battleground of a most interestwaged along personal lines with pe elected for State chairman T. Blaze Kennedy of Cheyenne, a lawyer who for six years has served the State committee in turn as secretary, treasurer and vice-chairman.

Mr. Kennedy stands high in fraternal

circles, is in close touch with party leaders, and intimately familiar with the detail work of the committee. The Democratic chairman is Ray w Lee of Cheyenne, whose political experience is nil. In recognition of this, however, the Democrats have named a vice-chairman for each of the seven judicial districts of the State as an advisory board to aid Lee.

Chief interest centres in the Senatorial contest. Senator Warren, Republican, seeks reelection, and will be opposed by John E. Osborne of Rawlins, First As-Senator Warren is running on his record of twenty-five years in the Senate dur-ing which time he has risen to second ranking Republican in that body. Warres has supported the Administration was this point cannot be successfully at tacked.

Wet and Dry Votes an Issue.

The Democrats will seek to line up the Prohibition element against Senat-Warren by citing his wet Senator has now declared himself dry, and supported the war pro hibition measure in the Senate will revive some of the old charges of the misuse of Sta'e and public lands by have been widely used against him is

Secretary of State and therefore "le mately sympathy with the Wilson aims and policies." Osborne has thus early charged War

son in which the latter politely con gratulates Osborne on his to the Senate, but goes no furthe The Republican line of attack words of Anglo-Danish origin. It centre on Osborne's alleged unfitness other below purely clerical or in the aid of his chief

> Osborne's record of having lived Denver from 1906 to 1917, maintaining a home at 1221 Sherman street, also be used widely. When he retired the Washington position Oshorne we

Editor Running for Congress

The contest for Representative in gress is one sided. Against Congr Mondell, with a record of two vears ago, but made a ve-

The Democrats will attack Moule can press, vigorously controverts the charge that he is opposed to the Afministration war policies, and declare that since the declaration of war i has supported every war measure the

President has asked for Mondell has always been the best vote when the Wilson "he kept us out was" landslide carried the State for war" landslide carried the morrats, Mordell pulled throng the Wilson majority two years are we

has some strength. Republicans Again I nited.

For Governor the Republicate have nominated Robert D. Cares, and of the nomination appears to have be gether for the first time sir and stockman, operating a large near Douglas. He is a good mixed as far as can be learned his has resulted in no defection Frank L. Houx, present as M. Clay in 1863.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN—Sir: In June. 1863, the late John M. Clay, a breeder of thoroughbred lorses and an active turfman prior to, during and after State, became acting theyer.

> It is asserted he has accus tune in two years through tions with oil companies of There will be no issuepaign other than persect a exception of the efforts lovalty question as to 3

prohibition issue as to Warre and Houx. The First of the Prophet.

Carlisle currespondence Phili-The coming winter w

Looking Ahead in Arkansas From the Arksmens form The time is near when wa! sed throughout this itself beverage.